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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

AMERICANS IN SIBERIA.

WASHINGTON, January 12.
According to an official announcement American troops in Siberia will not be withdrawn until the Czech-Slovak soldiers there have been repatriated. It will be several months before the Czech-Slovak troops can leave via Vladivostok.

THE KEEPER OF THE GATE.

WHEAT OF TURKEY.

PARIS, January 9.
It is explained in British delegation circles that Mr. Lloyd George's statement as regards Turkey that there must be a new keeper of the gate, should be interpreted literally as referring only to guardianship and control of the gates of Turkey. The question as to what shall be done with the Turks and what power shall be asked to have the mandate is still in suspense.

WAR CRIMINALS.

BRITISH DELEGATION IN PARIS.

PARIS, January 9.
Lord Birkenhead, the Lord-Chancellor and the Attorney General had a conference with their French, Italian and Belgian colleagues for the purpose of framing a list of war criminals whose surrender will be demanded. The subject is difficult owing to the necessity of sifting conflicting evidence and is delicate because no loophole must be given Germany to complain of injustice. The British delegation may remain in Paris a fortnight.

ALLIED WARSHIPS AT ODESSA.

PARIS, January 9.
Six Allied warships have arrived in Odessa and their presence has reassured the population. It is probable that the town will be defended if the Bolsheviks attack.

GERMAN CHARGE D'AFFAIRES.

PARIS, January 9.
It is understood in Hamburg that Senator Stahr will be the first German charge d'affaires in London but formal application thereat has not yet been made.

EXTRAORDINARY CASE.

Before Mr. N. L. Smith this morning, a Chinese was charged with the theft of a quantity of jewellery valued at \$600, from a house in Peel Street.

Serjt. Field said that the complainant was a well-to-do Chinese living in Peel Street. The defendant was the complainant's wife's sweet heart and was in the habit of visiting her during his (the complainant's) absence from home. A few days ago, he visited the woman as usual, and whilst she sat in the sitting room doing her hair, he was alleged to have gone into her room alone. After a short absence, he returned to the sitting room and sat and talked with the woman and ultimately took his leave and departed. After he was gone, the woman discovered the loss of her jewellery and laid information with the Police against her lover. The Police made enquiries and succeeded in finding the defendant who gave them information which led to the recovery of a diamond ring, which the defendant had pawned for \$270. The other pieces of jewellery have not yet been recovered. The Sergeant went on to say that as a result of the theft, the complainant discovered his wife's unfaithfulness to him and they had a quarrel, after which the woman left her husband's house and went to Canton. It is rumoured that she has since returned to Hongkong, and the sergeant wanted a remand in order to try and find the woman, whose evidence was necessary, if a case was to be made out against the defendant.

His Worship granted a week's remand, fixing bail in the sum of \$500.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

A Chinese was this morning charged before Mr. J. R. Wood with attempting to commit suicide. He told his Worship that he had been a member of the Chinese Labour Corps, and had served three years in France. He arrived here on Saturday and had squandered all his money in gambling. He had had no food for four full days and thought that it was better to end all his misery by taking his own life. Inspector Macdonald said that whilst on duty in Park Road at about 7 o'clock this morning, a Chinese heard a rustle in the bushes, and going near to investigate, saw the defendant sitting on the bough of a tree with a piece of rope tied round his neck. He was just in the act of slipping from the bough into space, when the constable came on the scene and persuaded him to climb down from the tree.

His Worship remanded the case for a week.

FIRE IN CONNAUGHT ROAD.

A fire broke out this morning shortly after 11 o'clock, on the top floor of No. 53, Connaught Road and resulted in the gutting of three floors. The Brigade with motors and the boat, were quickly on the scene and the operations were directed by Chief Officer Lane and the Captain Superintendent of Police. The fire had caught a good hold on the top floor and efforts were concentrated upon confining the conflagration to the one block. Later the second and first floors became ignited and were practically gutted. After about an hour's work the blaze was got under control. The cause of the outbreak is at present unknown.

One of the floors is occupied as a dwelling by the proprietors of Messrs. Harry Wicking & Co., and the other by the Kwong Sang firm of ship chandlers. It is impossible at present to state the damage.

At four o'clock this morning a fire broke out in No. 40, Queen's Road East, a medicine shop. The fire started on the first floor and soon spread to the second floor. The Fire Brigade arrived and were able to confine the outbreak to these limits. It is thought the damage will be very slight.

PICKPOCKET CAUGHT.

A small Chinese boy was this morning charged before Mr. N. L. Smith with picking the pocket of Mrs. Botelho of No. 6 Hart Avenue, Kowloon, in Queen's Road Central yesterday afternoon and stealing a purse.

Evidence was given to the effect that Mrs. Botelho caught the boy putting his hand in her coat pocket and extracting the purse. She turned round to grab him, but the young rogue ran away. A Mr. Silva, a friend of Mrs. Botelho, who happened to pass by at the time, was appealed to and he gave chase and caught the boy and handed him over to the Police. The purse was recovered.

The Police proved a previous conviction against the accused and he was sentenced to one month's hard labour and 12 strokes with a rattan.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

HAYES REVIEW.

PARIS, January 12th.
A Hayes message stated—
France yesterday proceeded to elect 240 Senators to replace the two categories of members whose mandates have expired. The French Senate consists of 344 members, one-third of whom are renewable every third year. The classes to be renewed were those whose mandates normally expired in January 1915, but were extended owing to the war, and those whose mandates expired in 1913. Then there were a few vacancies caused by the death of members. The Senators are not chosen by popular vote, but by electoral colleges. Each Department is composed of delegates chosen by the Municipal Council in each commune in proportion to the population, and of Deputies, Councillors-General and District Councillors.

No political change results from the vote. The Socialist Party presented many candidates, but only two are elected. M. Clemenceau was not a candidate.

Nearly all holders of well-known political names have been returned, among them M. Antonin Dubost, President of the Senate (since 1906).

A somewhat peculiar position is created by the unanimous election of M. Poincaré as Senator for the Meuse Department, for M. Poincaré is still President of the Republic until February 17th.

M. Poincaré, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, has been re-elected by a large majority by the Meuse Department, also M. Poincaré, the Minister of the Interior, and M. Jeanneney, the Under-Secretary of State.

The Ministers formerly not members of the Upper Chamber now elected are M. Clémenceau, the Minister of Transport, M. Noulens, the Minister of Agriculture, and M. Henri Roy, the Food Controller. Other notable elections are those of Canon Collin, the well-known Lorraine ecclesiastical dignitary and director of the newspaper *Lorraine* of Metz, General Hirschauer, Jonart, General Tausch, M. Ribot, M. Charles Dupuy (the two last former Premiers), M. Paul Dapuy, a son of the former *Parisien* director, and M. de Serres, a former Minister of Foreign Affairs.

DESOLATE PETROGRAD.

LONDON, January 9th.
Professor Zeidler, the President of the Russian Red Cross Society, investigated the condition of Petrograd. He declares that, owing to the want of fuel, the capital is a desert. A few of the famine-stricken population had not yet accustomed themselves to lead on what people in normal circumstances never eat the inhabitants would, literally, be foodless. The water supply has stopped owing to the shortage of fuel, and the inhabitants draw water from the Neva or the canals. Epidemics are widespread, including spotted typhus and Spanish influenza with various complications. There are no medicines whatever. Only four hospitals are open.

The authorities are powerless to guard the public safety. Gangs of robbers prevail in the deserted quarters of the city. "The only hope of the wretched inhabitants," says the Professor, "is that death may put an end to their sufferings. They no longer resist the violence of the Bolsheviks nor do they blame other nations for not saving them from the torments. They cherish no more hopes of being saved, but no more hope in what the Spring may bring, but wait only for death to deliver them."

LORD JELLIHOE'S TOUR.

Key West, January 9th.
Admiral Lord Jellicoe and Sir Robert Borden have embarked on H.M.S. *New Zealand* for Havana.

GREAT MEXICAN DISASTER.

MEXICO, CITY, January 9th.
Fresh earthquakes occurred in the north-west of Vera Cruz. Eight villages were overwhelmed. An immense lake is now stretching over the devastated area. A new crater has opened in the volcano Orizaba (near the town, Orizaba, 17,360 feet high), where a hill has split open, and sulphur, fire and lava are being thrown a long distance.

Panama reigns at Cordoba and Orizaba. Experts believe that the reactivity of the volcano San Miguel, which was supposed to be extinct, explains the new earthquake.

In the State of Puebla, which has been devastated, the dead are officially estimated at 2,000, and scores were injured, and perished after the earthquakes, from starvation.

BRITISH ANTARCTIC AERIAL EXPEDITION.

LONDON, January 9th.
The *Blackburn Kangaroo* will be the aeroplane used in the projected British Antarctic Aerial Expedition, which is leaving England in July. The actual flight is to begin from Great Britain, across the great glacier and the known, but unnamed, mountains whose altitude is 12,000 feet. The machine was one of the latest fighting bombers, actually employed in November, 1918, in anti-submarine patrolling. It measures 75 feet tip to tip, and is fitted with twin engines developing 550 horse-power. It is also fitted with skis instead of wheels. It is proposed to take a crew of four, also a sledge, tent, cooking-stove, and ten weeks' provisions, of an approximate weight of 7½ cwt.

EGYPTIAN SITUATION EASER.

LONDON, January 9th.
Interviewed at Cairo, prior to his departure for the Sudan, Lord Allenby said that the situation in Egypt was easier. There was a good prospect of a satisfactory arrangement.

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E. D. C. WOLFE,
Captain Superintendent of Police,
Hongkong, January 10, 1920.

UNIVERSITY OF HONGKONG.

A CONGREGATION of the UNIVERSITY of Hongkong will be held in the GREAT HALL, FRIDAY, January 15th, at 8 p.m., at which the Chancellor of the University, His Excellency The Governor of the Colony, will confer Degrees.

Admission will be by tickets only.

N. T. MACKINTOSH,
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Hongkong, January 11, 1920.

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ACCORDING to telegraphic advices received from LONDON, The "SHELL" Transport & Trading Co., Ltd., have declared an interim dividend of 22 per cent on account of the year 1919, on the ordinary shares of the Company, free of income tax. This payable on the 5th January, against Coupon No. 33.

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RACE SUICIDE PERIL.

SIR RIDER HAGGARD ON THE
TEEMING EAST.

The Imperial aspects of birth control were discussed by Sir Rider Haggard in evidence before the National Birth Rate Commission, which held its first autumn sitting at the office of the National Council of Public Morals on October 10, under the presidency of Dr. H. E. Garvie. Colonel C. J. Bond also gave evidence and the Commission then went into the report stage of its proceedings.

Sir Rider Haggard said that within the last half century it had become known that the birth-rate could be kept down by artificial means and, as in the ancient allegory, "Woman once more ate of the fruit of a forbidden Tree of Knowledge, but this time it was also a Tree of Death. In short, what is called "race-suicide" began. At first this practice was confined to the upper classes, but now it seemed that it was gradually spreading through the whole community in every Western nation, and in one of them, France, was in full operation with the result that there the death-rate exceeded the birth-rate, which continued to fall.

In the educated and professional classes many causes combined to prevent increase—as was evidenced from the endless number of "only sons" killed in the late war. The maternal instinct was not highly developed in a considerable proportion of modern women, nor was the paternal instinct always strong in men. It was not right, and was never intended that civilized woman should become but a breeding machine, but he believed that, if able to do so without injury to her health, and in the absence of other special circumstances, a married woman in the course of her life should enrich the world by four or five children. The average in the classes mentioned was now but 2.13, though among the miners it rose to 3.58.

Sir Rider Haggard said that Great Britain would be a more comfortable place to live in with a population of about four millions, but what would happen to them in the event of war? Indications were that in the home-land the population would continue to decrease, while in the Dominions overseas, without the aid of immigration, it would not at the present rate increase greatly, at least from the accretion of the British stock. With the exception of Russia and perhaps Germany, the prospects were also disquieting throughout the Western world, while even in America there was anxiety at least so far as the original stock was concerned.

OVERCROWDED AND HUNGRY ASIA.
The teeming myriads in the East were ancestor worshippers and polygamous; land dwellers also. In the East every woman considered it a shame to be barren; considered it

indeed her duty to bear as many children as she could. Also the East was overcrowded and hungry, and the East was learning the arts of war as practised to-day. The same applied, if in a less degree, to the brave inhabitants of Africa.

Unless some startling change occurred, therefore, it appeared as though within the next two centuries the dominion of the Western races would cease, as that of Rome ceased, perhaps before a new influx from the East beneath which their remaining population would be submerged.

Extensive settlement upon the land would mitigate the evil, for their children were of value to their parents, but modern men and women would not settle in quantity on the land. As our own experience and that of Australia showed, they preferred the city and the cinema. An appeal on Imperial ground could be made to the conscience of the inhabitants of the Empire, but he doubted whether it would have much effect. He thought that the Commission should try this expedient.

Lastly, if it chose to do so, the State could stamp out certain terrible and unnecessary diseases that directly or indirectly tended to blast and sterilize the race, could subsidize motherhood, and set a desperate, ultimate resort, directly or indirectly, could undertake the care and the upbringing of all children according to their degree, even holding out a kind hand to those not born in wedlock.

WOMEN TO SAVE THE EMPIRE.

At present he only saw one clear light among these shadows in the advent of enormous numbers of female voters. Perhaps if this vast female electorate could be made to understand the facts in their bearing upon the future of the race they would, as a mass, bring pressure to bear upon individual selfishness and ignorance, and thereby effect appropriate changes in the attitude of the nation towards this vital problem of its increase.

He suggested that through the Press and by whatever means lay open they should appeal to the women of the Empire to save the Empire. For this reason he urged the Commission to convert itself into a permanent body, and, if necessary, seek the assistance of the State in its work for the nation and the Empire.

Colonel C. J. Bond said that in order to bring about a fuller recognition by married citizens of the duty of subordinating individual to racial ends in the sphere of the sex relationships far more attention must be given to instruction in sex hygiene and in the duties, responsibilities, and privileges of citizenship in their scheme of national education.

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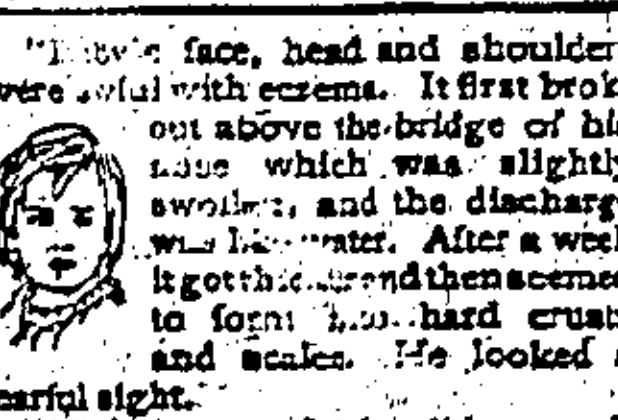
"Usually when a man has a cold he gets rid of it in a few days or a couple of weeks, according to his constitution, but this autumn's colds keep returning."

There must be an enormous number of disease germs in the atmosphere, and it is possible we have an entirely new microbe. People who never before suffered from sore throat now have repeated attacks. In some cases the poison goes to the stomach and causes an unpleasant form of indigestion. Mouth-breathing may be to blame for the sore throats. Women and children are the worst mouth-breathers. I would advise everyone to keep the mouth closed while the epidemic lasts.

"All windows should be kept open night and day, and I would particularly impress on people making a daily journey to town the need for opening railway carriage windows. Most colds are caught in trains and other public vehicles."

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condition and Miscellaneous Goods.

Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

(For Account of the Concerned),
on

FRIDAY,

January 16, 1920, at 10.30 a.m.,
at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,
Des Vaux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street.

A small consignment of Cigarettes,
Tobacco, etc., as follows.

Gold Flake,
Navy Cut,
Woodbine,
etc., etc.

and several lots John Cotton's
Smoking Tobacco.

The above will be sold in small
lots to suit buyers.

Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

(For Account of the Concerned),
on

FRIDAY,

January 16, 1920, at 10.30 a.m.,
at their Sales Rooms,
No. 8 Des Vaux Road, Corner
of Ice House Street.

2 Cases Felt hats,
1 Caps,
1 Hair tonic,
5 Eau-de-Cologne,
1 Case snap fasteners, elastic boots
webbs, etc., etc.

Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

(For Account of the Concerned),
on

SATURDAY,

January 17, 1920, at 11 a.m.,
at their Sales Rooms, No. 8
Des Vaux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street.

One Pointer Dog.
(six months old).

Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

(For Account of the Concerned),
on

FRIDAY,

January 23, 1920, commencing at 1.30
p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,
Des Vaux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street.

Valuable Chinese Porcelains,
CURIOS,
etc., etc.

Including a large variety of 5-coloured
and 3-coloured Vases, Wall Plates,
Table Screens, Blue and White Vases,
and Chinese Banners, Old Bronze and
Brass Figures, Vases, etc., etc., etc.,
Lacquered Ware, Ivory, Agate and
Crystal Ornaments.

The above stock recently arrived
from the North and includes pieces
from the Ming, Kungli, Kienlung and
Towkwang Periods.

The bulk of which will be sold with-
out reserve.

(Particulars from Catalogue).

Terms:—Cash.

On view day of sale.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, January 12, 1920.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS

THE Undersigned have received in-
structions to sell by Public Auc-
tion

(For Account of the Concerned),
on

TUESDAY,

January 20, 1920, commencing
at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms,
No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street.

USEFUL HOUSEHOLD FURNI-
TURE, GLASS, PLATED
WARE, etc., etc.

As follows:—

Large Guestfold Sofa & Arm-
chairs (new), Folding Card
and Occasional Tables, Upholstered
Sofa, Oakwood Bedroom Furniture,
comprising Bedsteads, large and small
Wardrobes, Dressing Tables, Washstands,
Bookcase, etc., (fumed Oakwood), Side-
boards, Dinner Waggon, Extension Di-
ning Tables and Chairs, etc., Dinner
Services, Crockery, and Glass Ware,
Cooking Stoves, Outlets, etc., Bath
Room Utensils, Electro-Plated Ware,
Electric Reading Lamps, Oakwood
Screens, a Sundry of Blackwood Furni-
ture, Blackwood Fire Screens, etc., Side
Tables, Chairs, Cabinets, Flower, etc.,
Serpents new and second-hand,
Curtains, etc.

Also
One Good Piano by Dornier & Sohn,
Stuttgart and One Challen Piano, One
Violon with Records (nearly new) One
Gent's 3 speed Hub Break Bicycle, good
as new, One 16-Bore Sporting Gun, One
Rifle, Tennis Balls, etc., etc. and
One Heavy Silver Service.

(Full Particulars from Catalogue).

Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, January 14, 1920.

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A quantity of New

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\$1.00 per pack of 12.

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must state age, experience, and salary
required, in first instance—otherwise no
notice taken. Apply Box 1175, care of
"China Mail."

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able to use Typewriter. Write
Setting Experience and salary required
to Box 1175 c/o. "China Mail."

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FOR SALE.—The furniture and
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in Kowloon. Possession from 15th inst.
Apply Box No. 1175, care of "CHINA
MAIL."

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GODOWN, No. 15 Barrows Street,
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5 ROOMED furnished Bungalow at
the Park from early March. Apply to
LOWMAN & DAVIS.

TO LET.—A SHOP in Nathan Road,
Kowloon. Apply to Humphreys
Estate & Finance Co., Ltd. Alexandra
Buildings.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING of the above named
Company will be held at the Registered
Office of the Company, St. George's
Building, Victoria Hongkong, on
WEDNESDAY, on the 28th day of
January, 1920, at 12 o'clock Noon, for
the purpose of considering and if
thought fit of passing the following
Resolutions as Extraordinary Resolu-
tions:—

(1) To consider, and if thought fit
approve the draft new Articles
which will be submitted to the
Meeting.

(2) That the Capital of the Company
be increased to Three million
dollars (\$3,000,000) by the crea-
tion of Two hundred and forty
thousand (240,000) shares of Ten
dollars (\$10.00) each, ranking for
dividend and in all other respect
par passu with the existing shares
in the Company.

And in the event of the First Resolu-
tion being passed with or without
modification.

(3) To consider, and if thought fit,
to pass an Extraordinary Resolu-
tion to the effect:—That the new
Articles already approved by this
Meeting and for the purpose of
identification thereof subscribed by
the Chairman be and the same are
hereby approved, and that such
Articles be and they are hereby
adopted as the Articles of the
Company to the exclusion of and
in substitution for all the existing
Articles thereof.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO
GIVEN that a further Extraordinary
General Meeting of the Company will
be held at the Registered Office of the
Company, St. George's Building, afore-
said on MONDAY, on the 16th day of
February, 1920, at 11 o'clock in the
forenoon for the purpose of receiving a
report of the proceedings of the above
mentioned Meeting and of confirming,
if thought fit as Special Resolutions
the above mentioned Extraordinary
Resolutions (2) and (3).

And the subjoined Resolution will be
proposed as an Extraordinary Resolu-
tion.

"That it is desirable to capitalize
the sum of \$600,000.00 standing
to the credit of the Company's
Reserve Fund, and accordingly
that for the purpose of effecting
such capitalization a bonus of \$10
per share on each of the issued
shares of the Company be and the
same is hereby declared and that
the Board be and they are hereby
authorized to satisfy such bonus by
the distribution amongst the per-
sons who are registered as holders
of the issued \$10 shares of the
Company on the date hereof of one
of the unissued \$10 shares of the
Company credited as fully paid up
in respect of each share of the
Company held by such persons as
aforesaid and in satisfaction of
such aforementioned bonus, and
that such shares rank for dividends
and in all other respects as from
the first day of March, 1920."

Drafts of the new Articles of Associa-
tion may be seen at any time before the
second meeting, except Saturdays and
Sundays between the hours of 11 a.m.
and 4 p.m. at the Registered Office of
the Company, or at the Office of
Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master,
Fringes Buildings, Hongkong, the
Company's Solicitors.

Dated this 15th day of January, 1920.

By Order of the Board,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 12, 1920.

NOTICES.

THE HONGKONG CENTRAL ESTATE, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
SIXTH ORDINARY MEETING of
SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will
be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine,
Matheson & Company, Limited, on
THURSDAY, 29th January, 1920, at
11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving
the Report of the Directors together
with the Statement of Accounts for the
year ending 31st December, 1919.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the
Company will be CLOSED from
MONDAY, 19th to THURSDAY, 29th
January 1920, (both days inclusive),
during which period no Transfer of
Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
"THE HONGKONG CENTRAL ESTATE
LIMITED."

MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Secretary to
The General Managers.

Hongkong, January 13, 1920.

THE HONGKONG LAND RECLAMATION CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
NINETEENTH ORDINARY
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this
Company will be held at the Office of
Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Company,
Limited, on THURSDAY, the 29th
January, 1920, at 11.45 a.m. for the
purpose of receiving the Report of the
Directors together with the Statement
of Accounts for the year ending 31st
December, 1919.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the
Company will be CLOSED from MON-
DAY, 19th to THURSDAY, 29th Janu-
ary 1920, (both days inclusive),
during which period no Transfer of
Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, January 13, 1920.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
THIRTEENTH ORDINARY
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this
Company will be held at the Office of
Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.
on THURSDAY, 29th January
1920, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the
purpose of receiving the Report of the
Directors together with the Statement
of Accounts for the year ending 31st
December, 1919.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the
Company will be CLOSED from MON-
DAY, 19th to THURSDAY, 29th Janu-
ary 1920, (both days inclusive),
during which period no Transfer of
Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, January 13, 1920.

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Company will be held at the Office of
Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.
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1920, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the
purpose of receiving the Report of the
Directors together with the Statement
of Accounts for the year ending 31st
December, 1919.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the
Company will be CLOSED from MON-
DAY, 19th to THURSDAY, 29th Janu-
ary 1920, (both days inclusive),
during which period no Transfer of
Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, January 13, 1920.

HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ONE HUNDREDTH ORDINARY
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held
at the Office of the Company, Hotel
Mansions, on TUESDAY, the 10th
FEBRUARY, 1920, at 12 o'clock Noon,
for the purpose of receiving a Report of
the Directors, together with a Statement
of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and
electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from Janu-
ary, 27th to February 10, 1920, both
days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN ARNOLD,
Secretary.

Hongkong, January 14, 1920.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

G. A. B.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND Conditions of the
Lotting by Public Auction Sale, to
be held on MONDAY, the 19th day of
January, 1920, at 11 a.m., at the Office of
the Public Works Department, by Order of
His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of
GROUND LAND at Aberdeen,
in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term
of 75 years, with the option of renewal
at a lower Rent to be fixed by the
Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for
one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

Boundary Measurements.

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CHURCHES AS HOTBEDS OF POLITICAL PLOTS

Complaints have frequently been
heard that Christian churches and
mission schools have frequently been
visited by detectives and disagreeably
interfered with in their proceedings
by the authorities, says "The South
Press." That many of these com-
plaints are reasonable, we have no
hesitation in saying. We know of
several cases in which churches and
schools standing entirely aloof from
political movements, have come under
the suspicion of the police and been
made objects of their unpleasant at-
tention. We are exceedingly sorry for
such innocent victims. At the same
time no fair-minded person can object
to the authorities keeping a sharp eye
over Christian institutions when, as a
matter of fact, some of them are
known to have been converted into
hotbeds of political intrigues by their
Korean members. The documents
recently seized by the police, men-
tioned in our recent issue, show that
certain members of some Korean
churches are in close touch with
Korean agitators abroad, and that
they have been aiding by prayer and
other methods their harmful activi-
ties. The documents referred to form
only a small part of the great amount
of evidence of similar nature now in
the possession of the authorities. We
happen to have at hand a letter
recently written by the "Home
Minister" of the so-called Provisional
Government of Korea in Shanghai to
Christian churches in Mokpo. In this
letter occur such passages as "your
faithful services to the independence
movement since its beginning on
March 1 shall be eternally remem-
bered with gratitude by the State and
by the nation," and "Therefore, our
Government has planned a great
demonstration to take place on
—to indicate that the only
claim of Koreans is the recognition
by the world of the absolute inde-
pendence of the people, who have
already renounced the Japanese
sovereignty and become an independ-
ent nation under the Provisional
Government. Whether that demon-
stration succeeds or not will depend
upon the efforts of you and your co-
workers." In view of such evidence,
none can say that all Christian in-
stitutions are innocent of political
plots and should be left entirely alone
by the authorities.

As, it is needless to say, it is one
of the duties of a Government to
maintain peace and order in the
country it governs, it is perfectly
right for the Government-General of
China to exercise a strong control
over all and any people, no matter
whether they be Christian or heathen,
who plot to overthrow it. As long
as there are in this peninsula Chris-
tian institutions in which their
members speak and act against the
law, the authorities must
watch them, and, in case of neces-
sity, must close them and arrest
such members as are guilty of political
offences. To avert any such
unpleasant consequence, it behooves
all those responsible for their main-
tenance to eliminate and expel all
bad elements and so remove the
cause of suspicion on the part of
the authorities. If they neglect to
do so, and if, through political
plots being found among the
members of their institutions, the
Government is compelled to take
some drastic measure, or other
against them, they will have nobody
to blame but themselves. We believe,
as we have always believed, that no
foreign missionaries in this peninsula
have consciously helped Korean
agitators in their foolish and harmful
movements, but we are afraid that
many of them have been deceived
by some of their Korean followers
into believing that they are faithful
and peaceful converts, and having
nothing to do with political intrigues.
Now we believe that they have be-
come aware that certain of their
Korean followers were wolves in
sheep's clothing and were abusing
their confidence. In order to protect
really faithful and good believers, if
for no other reason, we venture to
suggest to them that they carry out
as soon as possible a thorough over-
hauling of their churches, and
schools, hospitals, and other Christian
institutions.

"THREE CHEERS FOR THE KAISER!"

BERLIN STORY OF GERMAN GIRL'S
GUERDON FOR LIFE-SAVING.

A story is told in the "Taegliche
Rundschau" of one Fraulein Zaule,
who saved the life of a British
colonel's child who had fallen on the
rails in front of an incoming train at
Cologne Station.

The colonel invited her to his house
and introduced her to his officers.

Asked at table to express a wish,
she called for three cheers for the
Kaiser; and the paper says her wish
was fulfilled.

A guard of honour is said to have
been drawn up at the station when she
arrived, and British and German life-
savers medals were subsequently pre-
sented to her.

"WALLA WALLA" Launches at
Blake Pier. Night and day ser-
vice.

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BIRTHS.

LUBBOCK—On January 4, at
Salem, Maine, the wife of Com-
mander R. E. Lubbock, R.N.,
of a son.
MANASSEH—On January 7, at
Hankow, to Mr. and Mrs. E. J.
Manasseh, a son.
FENTON—On January 8, at Shang-
hai, to Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Fen-
ton, a son.

MARRIAGES.

BARNES-IRELAND—On January
7, at Shanghai, Horace John
Barnes, Wandsworth, London,
to Margaret Ann Ireland, Elie,
Fifehire.
MORTON-BASSETT—Mr. Henry
Edwin Morton of the British
Cigarette Co., Ltd., Shanghai,
and Miss Estelle Bassett, Hop-
kingsville, Kentucky, were mar-
ried on January 8, at Yokohama.
BALLANTINE-LAW—On October
11, at Ealing, Captain Richard
Waverley Ballantine, I.A., to
Olive Norma, youngest daughter
of the late Robert Law, of Shang-
hai.

CROSS-TALENIK—On November
28, at Shanghai, George
Edwin Cross, to Gamber Talenik,
Gillmore—D'Almeida.—On Jan-
uary 7, at Shanghai, Ray-
mond Earle Gillmore, of Chi-
cago, Ill., U.S.A., to Ignaz
Maria d'Almeida, of Shanghai.

DEATHS.

HOME—On January 6, at Shanghai,
Noel Charles Minchen Home,
aged 47 years.
WESTERLUND—On January 7, at
Tokyo, Captain Carl August
Westerland, late master of the
China Merchants S.N. Co.'s
steamer "Taishun," aged 61
years.
HART BUCK—Formerly of John
D. Humphreys & Son, (Hong-
kong, in England on December
20. (By cable.)
WHEELLOCK—On January 5, at
Shanghai, Thomas Reed Wheel-
lock, aged 79 years.
AZEVEDO—On January 7, at
Shanghai, Lucio Galdeno
d'Azevedo, aged 51 years.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

Mr. and Mrs. F. X. P. da Silva
and family beg to tender their thanks
to friends and relations for their kind
expression of sympathy in their recent
sad bereavement and for the beautiful
floral tributes.

Sight of Defence
HONGKONG Corps orders yesterday
DEFENCE we made a suggestion
CORPS. —a very respectfully
submitted suggestion
—that the members to whom the
naming of the corps has been left
should call it the Hongkong Volunteer
Defence Corps, or Voluntary Defence
Corps. When we were very young
we held a shell to our ear to hear the
surge of ocean. Now that we are
old we have to get a microphone to
hear the response of Hongkong
people to good advice. What about
this? It does matter, you know.

Mr. Edward S. Little is a
SHANGHAI Shanghai resident whose
AGAIN, opinions will carry more
weight than ours can on
the subject of Chinese representation
on the Municipal Council. He says
that to repress the movement and
compel the payment of taxes would
have a disastrous result. He refers
incidentally to "the unwise taxation
section of the last Ratepayers' meet-
ing." He maintains that the request
to be allowed representation is a
most reasonable one. "It is a claim
we cannot resist and still be true to
our own political ideal." He says
the man who says "this is a Foreign
Settlement and if the Chinese do not
like it they can go elsewhere" is a
"shallow thinker." "By exactly the
same line of reasoning we have no
rights or status in China."

There are various ways
POWER, in which one human be-
ing can impose his or
her will upon another. There is
simple bullying, and what is called
the arbitrage of war. There is
bribery. There is coaxing and wheed-
ling and deceiving. There is threat-
ening—which is really a department
of the bullying. All of them are
wrong. There is no right way of
doing it, because it should not be
done. To secure conformity of ac-
tion, what is desired, argument
and reason should be used. If it fails,
the desire should be relinquished.
If it succeeds, there is no question of
one will over-riding another, for the
second will has become like the first.
Yet some men love power and desire
it. Why? As well ask why some
men get barbs' itch or dyspepsia.

At one time it was
PREPAREDNESS, considered the
same of wisdom
and pure patriotism to pre-
paredness for war, and though that
might be sound, a reason frequently
given for it was not. They said that
peace was best secured by readiness
for war. A despatch from the
Austrian Ambassador at Berlin to his
Minister in Vienna, dated 1914, and
recently disclosed, has a passage
with an unimpeachable bearing on
this. "Russia," he said, "was in no
way ready for war and would think
seriously before appealing to force."
From that we get two useful reflec-
tions. One is that unpreparedness
prompts serious thinking prior to
aggression (and that is good). The
other is that preparedness prevents
serious thinking (and that is bad).
Recent history shows that the fully
prepared were defeated by the
unprepared, and are only now, in
defeat, doing their serious thinking.

As we expected,
our adversaria
about opera has
drawn our mus-
ical critic, Mr.
Counterpoint. He starts off shyly,
but warms up nicely when he gets
going. We are delighted at the way
he has proved our case for us. He
says it is "quite obvious" that we
cannot enjoy music because of our
"constitutional makeup." Let this
be a conclusive lesson, that nothing
in adversaria can make the Adver-
sariaist "quite obvious." The fact
is that he (the Adversariaist) gets
drunk on good music. That is why
he objects to it, adversaria. He
himself is a pianist, a violinist, and a
vocalist. He studied under the late
Professor McNaught. He (the Adver-
sariaist) has played in an orchestra,
and he is a competent musical critic.
He is in a small way a composer,
and has had two slight songs pub-
lished in London. So much for the
"quite obvious."

That was the cen-
tral idea of the
provocative notes,
that music is a
mere drug, and the Adversariaist
towards opera was playing the part
of a Fusynor. When fighting the
Drunkard, it is usual to point to the
Drunkard as an awful example.
Behold friend Counterpoint, and what
music (for he is a musician who
boozes on music) has done for him.
He writes for the China Mail and he
has no use for Shakespeare. He
dislikes the ever-glorious "Penguin
Papers." He likes point, but has a
disgust for scenery. He loves a
Paderewski recital, but would not
listen to a lecture on English litera-
ture by the greatest living authority
in it (as he himself would say)
"quite obvious" which he most
needs, which would be better for
him. The drunkard needs new boots
—his clothes are indecent—his hat
obscene; but he craves for booze,
and chooses it. Gentlemen of the
Jury, we are done with this witness.
Take him.

A FEW must be more power-
ful than that by now.
The present pound
involvement makes us penny wise.
The German has made his mark
almost as valuable as his iron cross.
The Italian lire is not pronounced
that way, and the French franc is
less so than it sounds. This is the
way to write a financial article, with
some common cents in it.

A Shanghai paper which
HOW IT'S has taken sides against
DONE, the Chinese desire for
representation has dis-
covered a new and important truth.
It writes a letter to itself asking if
the leaders of the agitation are rate-
payers, and answers itself in a foot-
note that they are not. That is not
the point. The point is whether
these organizers are recognized and
approved, as such, by the Chinese
ratepayers. A barrister who acts in
a newspaper case need not be an
editor, nor (as we see) need an editor
who preaches wisdom be wise.

SPECIAL CABLES.

DANGEROUS FIRE AT SHANG- HAI.

[CHINA MAIL SPECIAL.]
SHANGHAI, Jan. 15.
A firecracker shop situated behind
the Town Hall was ablaze on Wed-
nesday evening. It soon developed
into a three cornered blaze, at one
time threatening an extensive area.
The Brigade was handicapped by
frozen hydrants. The severe cold
caused the water on the ground to
freeze, and the firemen were slipping.
There were several narrow escapes
from electrocution by falling wires.

MASONIC WAR MEMORIAL.

[China Mail Special.]
SHANGHAI, Jan. 15.
The district grand master of this
district grand Lodge of northern
China will unveil a masonic war
memorial in honour of local masons
fallen in the war. This on January
22, at a regular meeting of the
Lodge.

TALENTS WASTED BY BOOZ.

[China Mail Special.]
SHANGHAI, Jan. 15.
Horace Wood, a former American
army officer and college graduate,
was sentenced to nine months in
Bilibid prison at Manila by Judge
Lobingier at the American court in
Shanghai. The charge was vagrancy.
Wood will undergo treatment for
alcoholism while in prison. He is a
man of extraordinary talents, and
was recently holding a good position
in an American firm.

CHINA'S BIGGEST BANK.

NEW SHANGHAI QUARTERS
FOR H. & S. BANK.

[CHINA MAIL SPECIAL.]

SHANGHAI, January 15.
A palatial new building for the
Hongkong Bank will be started in
four months, and take two years for
completion. It will be the largest
structure in the Far East. The roof
alone will be as high as the Customs
Tower. The estimated cost is two
million taels. The building will
occupy land valued at nearly three
millions. The whole work will be
carried out in fire resisting materials,
chiefly "reinforced" concrete, the
weightier portions consisting of steel
frame construction. The architects
are Palmer and Turner.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Today's dollar is worth 15s. 11d.

Today's return of communicable
disease shows one case of puerperal
fever.

Several residents are of opinion
that they felt a slight earthquake at
about one o'clock this morning. It
was of very short duration.

The date of the Marathon Race
has been changed to February 21 at
the Garden Party at Government
House to returned service men has
been fixed for February 7.

It is understood that Mr. S.
Komor, of Messrs Komor and Komor,
left Trieste on the 10th inst., and
will be back in the Colony early next
month, bringing with him his family.

The Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolf,
Captain Superintendent of Police,
has kindly consented to kick off at
the Benefit Match between South
China Athletic and Hongkong Foot-
ball Club in aid of the Widows of the
Late Warden Speed on Saturday.

Plans for the opening of a direct
shipping line between Chile and Japan
are being promoted among the lead-
ing business men of the two nations.
With this object in view a shipping
firm is to be formed, with a capital
of two or three million yen.

The case against the Chinese
who were charged with kidnapping
an eighteen-year-old Chinese girl and
taking her to Bangkok for an im-
moral purpose, was concluded
before Mr. N. L. Smith to-day when
the defendant was sentenced to six
months' hard labour.

The four Chinese—three men
and a woman—who were charged
with conspiring to defraud a Chinese
girl of 1,000 worth of jewellery,
were again before Mr. J. R. Wood
this morning when after the com-
plainant had given evidence of identi-
fication of the defendants, the case
was further adjourned for a week.

A European was arrested by the
Police in Pottinger Street for bring-
ing drunk and incapable. He was taken
to the Central Station where a charge
was made out against him and he
was allowed out on personal bail of
\$5. He failed to answer to his name
when his case was called before Mr.
J. R. Wood this morning, and his
Warrant ordered the bail to be
estimated.

MUSICAL NOTES.

[By Counterpoint.]

A reader of this column has asked
me when am I going to "reply" to
the Adversariaist in the matter of
the comments on music generally
and opera in particular.

As a matter of fact, it was my in-
tention to refrain from comment be-
cause really, there can be no con-
clusive argument and any amount of
controversy would only leave matters
precisely where they stood in the first
place.

Since, however, it appears I am
expected to make some sort of a
statement from the music lovers'
point of view, I can only reiterate
what has been stated time and again
by authorities far more competent to
deal with the matter than myself.

It is quite obvious that the Adver-
sariaist is one of the vast majority
whose constitutional make-up does
not include the necessary faculties
for the appreciation of good music,
vocal or orchestral, therefore no
amount of argument would convince
him that, for some people, gesture or
action, in certain circumstances is
emphasised and enhanced when com-
bined with song, provided the former
is always subservient to the latter.
That of course, is opera.

The reason of the unassailable
attitude of the Adversariaist is the
same as that which prevents me
from regarding Shakespeare (read
in any other light than that of an
unutterable boor, and makes me
believe that if a man to-day wrote
a book on the same lines as "Pick-
wick Papers" he would have a very
difficult task in getting a firm to
publish it.

It is impossible to make an individ-
ual like a thing if his natural in-
stinct rejects it, and there should be
no dictation. Some people are con-
scious to the highest pitch of enthusiasm
by things which leave others unmoved.
As an instance take my own case. I
have wandered through the art
galleries in London for hours and
hours and have been entranced by a
Whistler nocturne in blue and gold but
a moonlight walk through the Hima-
layas from Kurseong to Darjeeling
has left me cold (in more senses than
one) and unconvinced that the sight
of the moon shining on the snow-
clad peaks of Kanchenjunga and the
lesser "snows" is worth a six hours'
midnight trudge in the rarified
atmosphere of from four to seven
thousand feet above sea level.

Again, I would pawn my Sunday
suit (I have actually done it) to get
the price of a seat at a Paderewski
recital but I would not accept, with
a pound of tea, a fauleuil at a lecture
on English literature even if delivered
by the greatest living authority.

I have sat on a camp stool outside
the gallery entrance to Covent Gar-
den opera house the night long and
half the next day to get a seat at the
opening performance of the "Ring"
but I would not give a red cent to see
Aston Villa play Sunderland United.

I would play rounds of probably
very indifferent golf until the cows
came home but ten minutes at a
cricket match gives me the pip. I
have been through the Rocky
Mountains on the C.P.R. in mid-
winter and slept or read novels the
whole time, to prevent being bored
stiff by the rapturous eulogies of the
"wonderful scenery."

I have been told that a Northern
contemporary adversely criticised
the people of Shanghai for not
giving the Russian Opera Company
what the writer was pleased to term
"due support" during the latter
part of the Company's season.
Possibly the same may be said or
written in Hongkong later on. But
why should the people of Shanghai
or Hongkong spend their dollars
on opera if they don't
want to listen to it. If they prefer
what are to some, the bawdy banal-
ities of Bandmann and Banvard—well
it is their own money they are spend-
ing and their own desires they are
sating and who has the right to
dictate? Some like one thing, some
like another, and some like nothing
at all, and I leave it to that.

With regard to the statement that
the costumes worn by the Russians
in "Traviata" were out of date, here
again it would be unfair to expect
an individual who has no liking for
opera to take the trouble to make
himself or herself acquainted with
the details of its production to-day.
As a matter of fact, "Traviata" is
applicable to any period and it is
also the fact that in France, England
and elsewhere the play is being staged
on modern lines with modern dresses.

We would all like to see better
scenery and better "props" generally,
but as has been stated, the lack of
it is not the fault of the Russian
Opera Company. It is the fault of
Hongkong. In Shanghai there are
stock "props" sufficiently adequate
to stage any piece, operatic or
otherwise and Mr. Armstrong, the
stipendiary official of the Lyceum
Theatre whose duty it is to keep
these things up to date. What have
we got in Hongkong? A dirty,
draughty barn for a theatre, the

UNIVERSITY OF HONG- KONG

FOURTH CONGREGATION.

On the occasion of the Congrega-
tion at the University on Friday,
January 16, 1920, Tea will be
served in the Old Union Common
Room of the University Building
from 4.00 till 5.00 p.m. At 5.00
p.m. a procession including the
honorary graduates, the members of
the court council and senate of the
University will enter the Great Hall.
Members in this procession will as-
semble and robe in the Pro-Vice-
Chancellor's room at 4.45 p.m.

After His Excellency The Chan-
cellor has taken his seat and declared
the Congregation open, the Univer-
sity anthem will be played by the
band of the 2nd Battalion of the
Wiltshires.

The Pro-Vice-Chancellor will then
present for honorary degrees: Sir
Henry May, K.C.M.G. (In Absentia)
Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G.
The Dean of the Faculty of
Medicine will then present for the
degree of M.D., Mr. G. H. Thomas,
M.B., B.S.

The graduates in medicine and
engineering will then be presented
by the Deans of their Faculties.

The Dean of the Faculty of
Engineering will then present Mr.
J. M. Jack for the degree of B.Sc.
(War).

The honorary graduate will make
a speech after which the Chancellor
will declare the Congregation closed.

The procession will return to the
Pro-Vice-Chancellor's room.

Visitors are requested to remain in
their places until the procession has
left the Great Hall.

HONGKONG UNIVERSITY BASKETBALL CLUB.

The Hongkong University Basket-
ball Club has the honour to announce
that an inaugural match will be played
on the Football Ground in the
University between May Hall and
Eliot Hall on Friday, January 16,
1920, at 3 p.m.

Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G.,
Vice-President of the Club has kindly
consented to throw off.

The public and specially those ladies
and gentlemen, who intend to be
present at the Degree Ceremony to
be held in the University that same
afternoon, are cordially invited to be
present at this match.

HONGKONG FUND FOR WAR DEVASTATED VILLAGES IN FRANCE.

PANSY DAY FUND.

The following Donations are grate-
fully acknowledged.—Per the Hon.
Mr. Lau Chu Pak.

Canton Nanyang	200.00
Tobacco Co.	50.00
Mr. Yung Tze Ming	50.00
Mr. Mok Kon Sang	50.00
Mr. Wong Kum Ying	25.00
Mr. M. K. Lo	10.00
Mr. Tong Yat Chuen	10.00
Mr. Shun Pak Ming	10.00
Mr. Ip Lau Chun	10.00
Amount collected per	
Madame Lily	34.00
Anonymous	16.00
Sgt. Harry Kirkby	5.00
Already acknowledged	10,956.26
	\$ 11,376.26

The Pansy Day Fund is now
closed and a complete statement of
accounts of the War Devastated
Villages of France Fund will be
published later.

H. MATHESON,
Hon. Treasurer.

LORD LEVERHULME ON PREMIUM BONDS.

Lord Leverhulme, on completing
his year of office as mayor of Bolton,
attended the evening service at
St. George's Road Congregational
Church, Bolton, recently and on the
invitation of the Rev R. W. Thomp-
son spoke on the subject of premium
bonds. He condemned the proposal
from the standpoint of the citizen,
the State, and the Exchequer. The
proposal to issue premium bonds
pandered to the erroneous idea of
something for nothing, which was as
great a fallacy in the economic world
as was the idea of perpetual motion
in the mechanical world. The only
sound method of business was to add
to the value of commodities by work.
He considered that it was an ar-
ranging to issue lottery bonds while
the existing laws against gambling
remained unaltered. With regard to
the financial position of the country,
he was no pessimist and believed it
was sound, but he would despair if it
went forth that methods of trick
finance were to be reintroduced.

acoustics of which is exceptionally
bad, nothing in the way of scenery
seats that give one very known kind
of cramp; in fact, conditions heart-
breaking for people on both sides of
the proscenium.

When a Chinese was this morning
charged before Mr. N. L. Smith with
obstructing a Chinese constable in
the performance of his duty, and
unlawfully throwing the said const-
able into the harbour, he pleaded not
guilty and said he knew nothing
about the affair.

The constable, C229, gave evidence
and said he was on duty in the
Praya at about 9.45 a.m. yester-
day, when, passing the Bank Wharf
opposite Pottinger Street, he saw a crowd of about ten
men gambling on the wharf. He
went up to them and grabbed the
man with the cards. The other men
then set upon him, and after the
defendant had succeeded in taking
witness's prisoner from him, he
shoved witness from behind and
precipitated him into the water.
Witness said they all then ran
away. The water was very
deep at the spot where
witness fell in. It was lucky he knew
how to swim, or he would have
drowned, as the small craft in the
vicinity all pushed off as witness fell
in to the water. Witness, despite the
fact that he could swim well, had
much difficulty in fighting his way
back to the wharf. When he got
ashore, he went straight to the
Central Police station where
he reported the matter and
after changing his clothing, went
out with several plain clothes men
to search for the bad men. When
they got to the wharf, he pointed the
defendant out to the other men as
the person who threw witness into
the water. The defendant tried to
run away, but witness and his
colleagues closed in on him and
arrested him. Witness was sure the
defendant was the man who shoved
him into the harbour.

The defendant said he knew no-
thing about the affair. He was not
present when the loking was thrown
into the water. He was on his way
to the market when he was arrested.

His Worship: Are you aware
of the seriousness of your act? The
lukung would have drowned if he
had not known how to swim?—I did
not shove him.

His Worship: Do you know that
if the lukung had not known how to
swim and had been drowned, you
could have been charged with mur-
der?—If he did not know how to
swim, he could receive assistance
from the people about.

The Police said that when taken
to the station yesterday and
charged, he denied that he was
the man but said he could point
out the man who shoved the con-
stable into the water. When asked
to go out and find the man however,
he refused.

His Worship said that there was
no doubt that the defendant knew
more about the affair than he alleged
he did, and sentenced him to a fine
of \$250, or, in default, six months'
hard labour.

His Lordship said he had much
pleasure in granting Mr. Xavier his
discharge.

Mr. C. F. Mason appeared for the
petitioning creditor in the matter of
Chan Yick Lun, trading at Ying Mau.
The assets were about \$6,700 and the
liabilities \$24,000.

The Official Receiver said he
thought the petitioning creditor should
produce the promissory note on which
he said money was due.

His Lordship made a receiving
order subject to the affidavit being
amended to this effect.

In the matter of the Po Hang Bank
and Tam Hang and Tam Kok, two
partners therein, the Official Receiver
applied for the removal of Chu Yik
as joint trustee.

His Lordship granted the applica-
tion.

C. V. Carlos appeared for his
public examination and replying to the
Official Receiver, said he put in a
petition in 1916, when his liabilities
were \$800, mainly due to money
lenders. The cause of his bankruptcy
was personal sickness.

The Official Receiver asked if he
had ever given any other cause for his
bankruptcy and, on debtor saying he
could not remember, asked "Did you
ever go to Macao?"

Debtor: Yes, I went there and tried
to make some money but lost.

Answering further questions debtor
said he was now paying the Official
Receiver instalments of \$10 a month.
The examination was closed.

Spent your Evenings in a WALLA
WALLA Launch.

SPORTS.

HONGKONG SCHOOLS
FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.ST. JOSEPH'S WIN SENIOR
SHIELD.

H.E. THE GOVERNOR OFFERS A CUP.

There was a large gathering of football enthusiasts present on the Queen's College ground, Causeway Bay, yesterday afternoon, to watch the final of the Hongkong Schools Junior League between Wanchai School and Queen's College. H.E. the Governor was amongst those present and evinced much interest in the game.

The match commenced at 3 p.m. with Mr. F. W. Black in charge of the whistle. The teams were very evenly matched and the game opened very fast and interesting. After simultaneous attacks by either side, Queen's secured a goal by a bit of tricky play among the forwards. Despite the fact that Wanchai tried hard to equalize, no other goals were scored in the first half, and at half time, Queen's was leading by one goal to nil.

In the second moiety, Wanchai played improved football and by means of continuous onrushes, they succeeded in at last getting the defence off its guard, and equalized. After this, both sides made strenuous efforts to get the winning goal, but when the final whistle came, the result was a draw. Despite the fact that extra time was played, neither side could get any advantage over the other, and it was ultimately decided to replay the final at some future date.

The final match was followed by an exhibition match between St. Joseph's College, the winners of the Senior Shield, and a team picked from the rest of the league. This game was also very interesting, but it was quite evident that St. Joseph's was the superior team. They combined well, and it was with difficulty that the opposing backs managed to cope up with their onrushes. The only goal of the match came in the first half, when Rahmin was placed in possession and after a good run down the left wing, he passed to Ismail who in turn transferred the ball to S. Rumjahn, and the latter scored without much difficulty. The game was very even at the resumption of the match after the half time. Both sides made frequent attacks but failed to convert. At the final whistle, St. Joseph's were the winners by the only goal of the match.

At the conclusion of the game, Mr. J. Ralston, the Hon. Secretary of the Association, in calling upon His Excellency to distribute the shield and the medals, stated that the season had been an interesting and successful one. Unfortunately the final of the Junior Division match was not completed and would have to be re-played. In the Senior League St. Joseph's had come through unbeaten. (Applause.)

They had thus won the football shield and the gold medals. The cup presented by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, in 1907, for competition among the Government District Schools was won, for the third time in succession, by Wanchai, who thus became the owners of it. (Applause.) Their record had been excellent during the present season. In the competition for the Government District Schools they had secured 22 points and not a single goal had been scored against them. As regards next season's football, they would have the junior, senior and intermediate league—thus enabling every school-boy to have a game on Wednesday afternoons. A cup for the intermediate league had been given to the Association by the Hongkong Football Club. The Club had a cup to spare, a duplicate of the one presented by Mr. David Landale, and this they generously offered to the Schools. (Applause.)

H.E. the Governor, addressing those present, stated that he was very pleased to find football in such a flourishing condition among the schools. He thought all would agree with him, especially those who had played football in their school days, that there was not a finer game than football, because it gave everyone an equal chance and aroused a great deal of enthusiasm and skill. He was sorry he had not come in time for the first match, and hoped to have the opportunity of witnessing the replay.

His Excellency next handed the shield, cup and medals to the respective winners.

Mr. Ralston announced that His Excellency had offered a cup to replace the Wolfe Cup, and the announcement was greeted with applause.

UNITED SERVICES' LEAGUE.

AMBROSE "A" 2; AMBROSE "B" 1.

The competition in connection with the United Services' League was commenced at the Happy Valley yesterday afternoon, when the "Ambrose" "A" team met and defeated the "Ambrose" "B" team by 2 goals to 1. According to the official fixture lists, the Whits were to have met the R.G.A. on the Military ground, but for some unknown reason this match did not take place.

Yesterday's match opened slowly and it took the players fully ten minutes to warm up. Both ends were

CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

(By arrangement with Wai Tsz Yat Po.)

SHANGHAI, Jan. 14.

Foo Ngok Fan, the Vice-Minister of Education, who has had a great deal of trouble with the students, now intends to resign.

Wong Yip Tong has expressed his intention to resign the chief peace delegateship. The opening of the peace conference looks more hopeless than ever.

General Pau Kwai Hing telegraphed the Peking Government that he intends to take a neutral attitude towards the Bolsheviks. Should the Bolsheviks invade Chinese territory he will stop them by force. The Cabinet concurs in his views.

A telegram from the Northern frontier says that the Bolsheviks are now penetrating Chinese territories and that both the North and South military officers be notified of such phenomena.

The Minister of Finance seeing that there is no possibility of securing a loan from the Bank Group, is trying to negotiate elsewhere.

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WEDDING.

MURDOCH-HAYMAN.

The wedding took place, this morning, at St. John's Cathedral, the Rev. V. H. Copley Moyle officiating, of Miss Mildred Mary Hayman, of Bournemouth, to Mr. Arthur Murdoch, of Jardines. The bride, who was dressed in a white gown with a white net veil, was given away by Mr. C. G. Alabaster, O.B.E., cousin of the bride and Mrs. J. Johnstone acted as matron of honour, whilst Mr. K. de C. Longmire acted as best man. At the conclusion of the ceremony the happy couple left the Cathedral to the strains of the Wedding March, played by Mr. J. W. White. A photograph was taken at the door of the Church. The honeymoon will be spent at Cheungchow and Fanning.

OUT OF THE FRYING-PAN.

When Asquith held the foremost place. We mocked his famous "Wait and see!" Then for a four years' dreadful space. On land we watched our fate—and sea.

We conquered: rare refreshing fruit. Our rulers bade us taste and see: But, oh! a rift within the lute, Is not their meaning "Waste and see?"

W.S. in the Manchester Guardian.

TEN MILLIONAIRES
A YEAR.

GERMANY'S PRIZE LOTTERY.

Germany is offering to create 10 new millionaires yearly for the next 80 years in order to raise money for the nation. That, in brief, is the astounding attraction offered in her new lottery loan, the most gigantic thing of its kind the world has ever seen. The loan is to be one of 5,000,000,000 marks.

Application lists were to be opened in the beginning of November, subscriptions being payable one-half in German 5 per cent. war loan and one-half in cash, and 5,000,000 certificates of 1,000 marks each will be issued. Eighty years is to be the period of the loan with yearly drawings, 3,000,000 marks being drawn for payment in the first 40 years.

The first surprise comes on learning there is to be no interest, or at least nothing called by that name. There is, however, to be a bonus of 5 per cent. per annum, but this bonus, which is really interest, is not to be paid at stated periods, but is to be held by the Government until the certificates are drawn for payment, when the bonus will be paid out with the principal sum. Thus, a certificate drawn for payment at the end of the first year will be repaid with 50 marks as bonus. If drawn for payment at the end of five years, the bonus would amount to 250 marks. Twice yearly there are to be lottery drawings at each of which there will be 2,500 prizes with total prize money of 25,000,000 marks. The prizes vary in quantity and value, the maximum being five prizes of 1,000,000 marks each and the lowest 1,000 prizes of 1,000 marks each, all payable under discount of 10 per cent.

A TWO TO ONE CHANCE.

This is certainly something to be going on with, but there is still a two to one chance which offers tempting prizes. Drawings, as said already, take place yearly, (except the lottery drawings,) capital and accrued interest being then repaid, but every second certificate drawn for repayment receives in addition the very considerable bonus of 1,000 marks if drawn during the first 30 years, 2,000 marks if drawn during the ensuing 10 years, 4,000 marks if drawn during the ensuing 40 years. Altogether, 58 per cent. of the certificates issued can receive prizes and bonus (apart from interest bonus), while the total prize money distributed during the 80 years' currency of the loan will be for lottery drawings 4,000,000,000 marks and for bonus on every second certificate drawn 5,875,000,000 marks.

When the issue is 20 years old, subscribers can demand repayment from the Government and the amount will be repaid at the end of the year at its nominal value plus accrued interest, but under a discount of 10 per cent.

Up to 25,000 marks the loan is not subject to death or succession duties, while increases in capital arising from the operations of the loan and any difference between market and redemption values are not subject to special taxes affecting such changes. Profits arising from lottery drawings, and profits arising from sale are not subject to income tax for the year during which the profits were made, or to capital tax.

TO-DAY'S NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

WE are in receipt of the following cable from Head Office: Sun Life Assurance Co., of Canada, Hongkong. New Business in 1919, OVER HUNDRED MILLIONS TORY. This means an increase of 100% over 1918.

R. M. WELLER, Manager, Hongkong, January 14, 1920.

TO LET.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONSIGNEE),

MONDAY,

January 19, 1920, commencing at 10.30 a.m. at No. 28A, Nathan Road (above Cassum Ahmed).

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Trans:—Cable. HUGHES & BOUGH, Auctioneers.

Hongkong, January 15, 1920.

NOTICE.

WE have established a Branch Office in SYDNEY with Mr. ARTHUR NICKELLIS BISHOP as the Manager thereof. THE HONGKONG MERCANTILE CO., LTD. Hongkong, January 15, 1920.

REPULSE BAY HOTEL.

SATURDAY, 17th January.

TEA DANCING, From 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

DINNER DANCING, From 8 p.m.

SONDAY, 18th January.

Afternoon and Evening Orchestra Concerts.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "WEST INSKIP."

From SAN FRANCISCO, via JAPAN PORTS, SHANGHAI and MANILA.

THE above-mentioned vessel having arrived from the above-mentioned Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Cargo will be landed at their risk into the Hazardous and/or extra Hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., and stored at Consignees' risk.

Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that they must produce an Import Permit issued by the Superintendent of the Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before bills of lading can be counter-signed.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on January 14, at 10 a.m. and January 15, at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented within a week of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after January 18, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO., As Operators, U.S. SHIPPING BOARD.

Hotel Mansions.

Hongkong, January 15, 1919.

NOTICE.

TO ALL RETURNED HONGKONG OFFICERS,
N.C.O.'s AND MEN.

His Excellency the Governor desires to entertain at a Garden Party at Government House on the afternoon of Saturday, the 7th of February, 1920, all Officers, N.C.O.'s and Men, who have returned to Hongkong after serving with His Majesty's Forces at the front, together with their wives. All those who desire to attend the Garden Party are requested kindly to send in their names (stating if they are married) to the Aide-de-Camp, Government House, on or before Saturday, the 24th of January, 1920, after which date cards of invitation will be sent.

H. S. MCGRATH, Capt., Aide-de-Camp.

Government House, 14, January 1920.

"What's in a name?" says Romeo.

If he had lived in Hongkong, he would have discovered the fact that, here at any rate, "A rose by any other name" does NOT "smell as sweet."

This by way of preface to the fact that many people are staying away from

"DE LUKE ANNIE"

at the Coronet, because they do not find the it's sufficiently illuminating.

Will they take our word for it that, from the price we have paid, and from the general merit of the picture, we should have been justified in increasing our prices.

To-morrow is the last night, won't you come and see it before it is too late?

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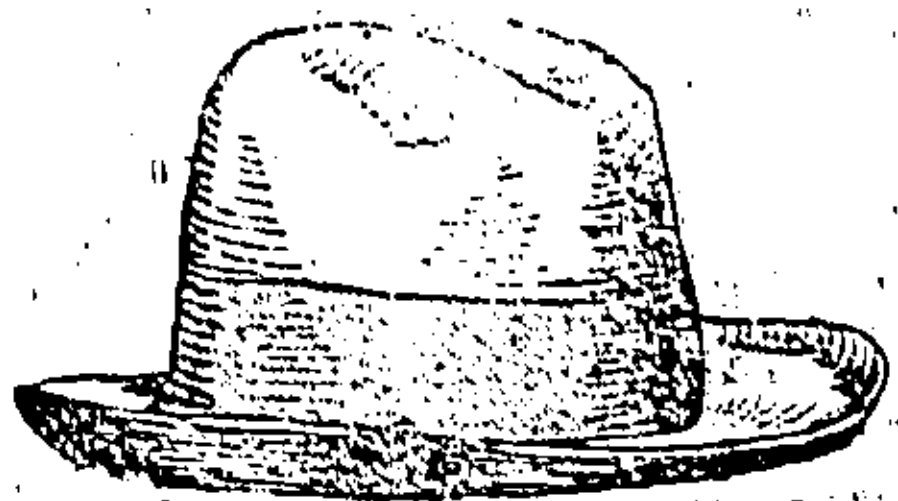
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"The ship became in an hour or two quite unmanageable and could be brought no nearer to the wind than seven points, which, to say the least, was an unenviable position to be in. Thinking at first that as the storm came on so suddenly, it might not last long, I ran before it dead slow, but, do what we could, we could not get over the ground more than about five knots. The next morning the gale had increased to tremendous force and the hail and snow had set in with unremitting fury which lasted for another two days."

"The chief engineer reported later, that the coal on board would not last until we reached our port of destination and it was very probable that we could manage to get to the wharf among the ice even if we reached there, the vessel being rather poor found, etc., and the gale showing no signs of abating. So I resolved to run for Shanghai."

"I rang full speed and told the chief engineer, to give her all he could, but, owing to the light condition the ship was in, and the awful sea that was running, the racing of the propeller and the heavy rolling of the ship, we could not head up where to the westward than S. by W. and we made a true S. by E. course, about."

"We then got blown over to the Korean Coast in our helpless condition and must have passed fifteen miles off the Socotra Rock. It was an extremely anxious time for all of us as may well be imagined. There was no sleep or rest for anyone for forty-eight hours. When getting in about the latitude of the Saddle I went dead slow again with the hope that the storm would blow itself out. We then had only about one day's supply of coal on board. By noon we got a position 130 miles east of the Saddle. If anything, the gale then started to get worse and to keep on was to get cast away in the middle of the Eastern Sea. We sounded and got thirty fathoms of water upon which I decided to put the cable on the bottom which we did. We hove them out to the clench, one at a time, and after a while the ship rode to them beautifully. But, as the ship came down and up with the swell of the tremendous sea, I feared the windlass would be torn out of the ship. To ease the strain on the cables we then rigged up springs comprised of gun tackle purchases, iron snatch blocks and gins, etc., and led the

100,000 MOTOR-CARS EVERY YEAR.

A SIX MILLION FIRM TO PRODUCE CHEAPLY.

PROFIT-SHARING PLAN.

Details of a gigantic motor amalgamation, which aims at the production of 100,000 cheap cars yearly, and in which the employees will have a profit sharing interest, were given by Mr. H. J. Whitcomb, the chairman of directors.

The new corporation will be known as Harper, Bean, Ltd., and associated with it are such well-known firms as Macfield's Ltd.; Harper, Sons and Bean, Ltd.; Vulcan Engineering Co., Ltd.; Swift, Ltd.; British Motor Trading Corporation, Ltd.; Harvey-Frost Co.; and the Birmingham Aluminium Co.

The capital involved is £5,000,000. Mr. Whitcomb rejects the description of "combine" for the organisation since it suggests a trust and control of prices at a high standard.

"That is the point against which in this amalgamation," he explained, "the whole energies, intentions and principles of the directorate will be firmly concentrated."

"It is estimated that not less than two years must elapse before our ideal magnitude of production can be achieved and we can enter upon our projected programme of units for 100,000 motor-vehicles."

"Thus we shall start with a completion of only 50 cars per week in January, and increase this number gradually until we expect to complete:

By July 1920 300 per week.

By Dec., 1920 600 per week.

By July 1923 2,000 per week.

"Our programme does not include the high-priced vehicles, but the car for the multitude—50,000 of one type (the small car), 25,000 of the medium car, and 25,000 of the commercial vehicle—three types only."

"Provision has been made to give our employees a real and tangible interest in the results in the form of 500,000 fully-paid ordinary shares, to be held by trustees on behalf of the employees as a whole, for the purpose of a benevolent fund for them and their dependents."

falls aft. through the alleyways. Also we put the three fold life-boat purchases on them and led the falls to the after windlass."

"The fore-deck winches were utilized to set up wires as a support to the windlass rods as the fore-castle deck was lifting. We then managed to ride out the gale safely and eventually got back to Shanghai on the evening of December 31 without any serious damage to the ship. This is the second time in eight years that I have saved the lives of all on board or, at least from being cast away, by the use of the cables."

COST OF LIVING AT HOME.

800 PER CENT. UP ALL ROUND.

Both letters and newspapers from abroad indicate that the Englishman who has been away from the home land for the last one or two years possesses a very vague idea of what the cost of living really is. It is such a commonplace, of course, here that the newspapers rarely refer to it—everybody knows that a small loaf costs 4d. and a quart of milk 11d., so why labour that point? And it is seemingly beneath the dignity of Reuter to wire out that butter is rationed and that the individual allowance per day is just the weight of a Mexican 20-cent piece.

Seven shillings would purchase in the Spring of 1914 as many of the necessities and the small luxuries of normal civilised life as one pound will purchase to-day.

Seeing that this statement is flatly at variance with the Government estimate, a house-keeping account for one week in 1914 is printed below with the present prices for the same quantities in a parallel column.

The present estimate of the Government is somewhere between 125, and 145 per cent. increase in the cost of living to-day compared with 1914, the fact of the case being that the increase is nearly 200 per cent. when the all round cost of living is taken into consideration and not a few selected necessities.

The family, whose weekly house-keeping bill we have here, consisted of four persons, three adults and an eight-year-old child. As may be seen, they had plenty of plain substantial food. To abbreviate what otherwise would have been a very long list, about eighteenpence worth of small items, polishers, condiments, and similar trifles, have not been included, but the advance in cost of these articles is about the same as in those that are given.

Article	1914	1919
7 quarts Milk	2 0	6 5
3 cwt Coal	2 4	7 0
4 lb Mutton	2 4	6 8
2 lb Beef Steak	1 8	4 0
2 lb Beef	1 10	4 7
1 lb Rabbit	0 10	2 5
8 Herrings	0 4	1 3
4 lb Cod	1 4	4 8
2 lb Plaice	0 10	2 8
2 lb Bacon	2 1	6 9
10 loaves Bread	1 8	3 9
1 lb Self-raising flour	0 4	0 10
5 lb Sugar	0 10	3 4
1 lb Tea	1 6	3 4
4 lb Cocoa	0 4	0 9
14 lb Potatoes	0 7	2 4
14 lb Cabbages, carrots, etc.	0 8	2 0
3 lb Onions	0 3	0 10
3 lb Margarine	1 6	3 9
1 lb Lard	0 8	2 0
3 lb Suet	0 3	0 10
1 lb Cheese	0 8	1 8
2 lb Jam	0 7	2 0
12 Eggs	1 6	5 0
2 1/2 lb Soap	0 10	2 3
1 lb Butter	1 4	2 6
1 lb Rice	0 2	0 8
6 boxes Matches	0 1	0 6
2 lb Currants	0 8	2 8
and Raisins	0 9	1 6
Gas	0 9	1 6
Total	29 3	89 1

It will be seen by this list that the cost of nearly everything now is three times as much as in 1914 and in some cases even more. Bread hasn't advanced so much because of the Government subsidy, but as the subsidy is now threatened the price may soon go up very considerably.

Margarine is another item that has not advanced as other articles have, but it does not contain the fat it used to do, and housewives complain that it is now no substitute for lard. Butter has not gone up quite 100 per cent. but seeing that there is only a ration of 1 1/2 oz. per head each week that does not appreciably lighten a present day house-keeping account.

There are two items that our housewife has not included in her list, apples and pears, which can be bought to-day at a pre-war price, three pence to sixpence a pound, owing to the phenomenally good crop this year.

Butter, sugar and meat are the only foodstuffs the quantity of which is rationed to each consumer to-day. 1 1/2 oz. of butter, 8 oz. of sugar and 2/- worth of butcher's meat.

People use more jam to make their bread and margarine palatable, put saccharine tablets in their tea to save the sugar for cooking, and use timed meats and poultry more largely to

make up for rationed meat, but these substitutes being more expensive, the cost of house-keeping goes up proportionately.

With the exception of these three necessities there is plenty of everything for those who have money to buy it, except whisky, so those twin evils of the past, shortage, hoarding and food queues, are almost forgotten. Whisky is still very scarce and a doctor's note is usually necessary should one want a bottle; brandy is easy to get at 25/- a bottle, and beer is plentiful in quantity if somewhat thin in quality.

Train fares have rarely advanced more than 25 per cent. and train fares are only up 50 per cent. which is comparatively little compared with other increases.

In very few towns where the rates have largely increased has more than 20 per cent. been added to the rent of a £52 (or less) house, and in many cases the rent of these small houses has not advanced even 5 per cent. owing to the Rent Restriction Act, which has up till now protected the tenant from any charge above that incurred by the landlord for repairs and extra rates. These lesser compensations, however, are more than counter-balanced when we consider the next series of items on the cost of living, clothes and hardware, and in any true estimate of the cost of living these must be taken into account.

A family may ignore the renewal of clothes for a period of six months or less should prices during that time be abnormal; but if prices remain abnormal, and clothes and boots wear out, the abnormal prices will have to be paid and reckoned in the cost of living; and if the period of high and exorbitant prices is maintained for years, as it has been, then all sorts of essentials in a home, towels, sheets, blankets, curtains, oilcloth, brushes and crockery, will require renewing, and have to be charged in the cost living. Here is a list of prices for some items of a man's clothing to-day compared with prices for the same articles prior to the war:

	1914	1919
Suit	£ 5 0	£ 10 0
Union Shirt	0 3 6	0 13 6
Socks	0 1 0	0 5 0
Boots	0 10 6	1 13 6
Woolen Vests	0 4 6	0 17 6
Cap	0 1 6	0 6 0
Total	£ 33 6 0	£ 110 6

Women's clothes and boots have advanced in almost exactly the same proportion and children's outfits are in comparison even more expensive.

Now we come to hardware and household necessities. It is impossible to make a full list but the following items are amongst the more important and cannot be done without:

	1914	1919
Cups and saucers	0 3 1 0	0 3 1 0
Saucepan	1 6 0	5 0 0
Bucket	0 6 3 6	3 0 0
Dinner Plate	0 3 0 9	0 3 0 9
Curtains (pair)	4 6 13 6	13 6 0
Sheets (pair)	6 6 22 0	56 0 0
Woolen Blankets (pr)	15 0 56 0	56 0 0
Towels	0 9 2 0	9 2 0
Linoleum	2 11 9 11	9 11 0
Brush sweeping	0 9 3 0	3 0 0
Bresh scrubbing	0 4 1 3	1 3 0
Glass Tumblers (doz.)	1 0 10 0	10 0 0
Alarm Clocks	2 6 15 0	15 0 0
Total	32 9 143 8	143 8 0

Unfortunately the tendency is for prices to go up even higher than those we have quoted, while in furniture prices are so exorbitant that it seems incredible they should remain at their present figures.

If it is thought that the cost of living has been broadened to embrace too many items in this little article, it might be as well to analyse a brief list of articles printed as an advertisement to prove a reduction in prices by a famous store in a Socialist daily paper. This enterprising firm thought apparently that it might do something to stem the rising flood of discontent among the proletariat by showing how prices were coming down since this time last year when the Armistice was signed.

It titled its half-page advertisement "Evidence that the cost of living is going down at Selfridge's," and gave a list of 250 items "chosen at random throughout the store." A study of the 250 items, the cost of which in 1918 was £210 9s. 5, and to-day is only £177 3s. 4d. must have made amusing reading for the wage-earning classes who chiefly buy the paper. Should you want for instance

THE CHINA MAIL'S BUSINESS.

TO GET YOU THE NEWS.

Rumours are current that the Victoria Theatre is to be pulled down and that Mr. M. J. Stephens the landlord contemplates building Chinese flats on the site. It is understood, however, that an attempt will be made to secure a renewal of the lease by the people interested in the Victoria Theatre.

The following conversation tells its own amusing story—

The editor of the China Mail, hearing that the Victoria Theatre was likely to be pulled down, deputed a reporter to interview Mr. Stephens, the landlord, with a view to securing confirmation of the report. The following conversation took place—

Reporter: Good morning, sir. I represent the China Mail and have been instructed to ask you whether you would be good enough to supply me with information with regard to the Victoria Theatre. The editor understands that the building is to be pulled down.

Mr. Stephens: What has that got to do with you?

Reporter: Nothing whatever, sir. I am acting under instructions from my employers.

Mr. Stephens: Don't come here asking me for information. What has it got to do with the China Mail? You had better be very careful what you say. Why can't people keep things private if they want to?

Reporter: Quite so, sir. I merely came for confirmation or denial of a rumour prevalent round town. I will inform my editor that you decline to make any statement.

Mr. Stephens: I did not say so. You had better be very careful what you are about. Don't come here asking for information.

Reporter: Very good, sir. I will inform my editor of what you say.

Mr. Stephens: Don't come here asking for information. Be very careful what you say.

Reporter: Very good, sir. Good morning.

No response.

A blue serge suit made to measure it will cost you £9, 13s. to-day, compared with last year's price which was £7 13s., but you can compensate yourself with the thought that though a Japanese screen cost £4 4s. in 1918, to-day you can buy one for only £2 12s. 6d.

What working man will grudge 16/6 to-day for a union shirt which according to the advertisement was 13/6 last year, if he can buy a tortoise shell cigarette for 30/- compared with the old price of £2; and though men's overcoats, socks, macintoshes, umbrellas and woollen scarves have all gone up in price since 1918, he can still buy a "dainty coloured, China puff bowl" or an "evening frock with silk net over lap silk trimming" for less than they cost in 1918.

Turning to provisions in the same advertisement, household soap, soda and lard, have all gone up, an advance however more than counter-balanced by the fall in tinned peaches, spaghetti, and custard powder, and at the "Bargain Counter" one can easily make up the advance in the price of a boy's overcoat, by buying a yard of lace edging fallen from 8/11 to 2/- in one fell swoop.

How wages have advanced to meet these increased costs would take too long to detail here. Suffice it to say that the average wage of a skilled artisan to-day is roughly about 83/- for a 48-hour week, miners and builders get much more, workers in luxury trades get much less. For a labourer it will be 50/- to 88/- according to the occupation and degree of skill, for instance a labourer trucking stuff about in a factory will get the lower figure, and a bricklayer's labourer the higher.

Very high wages are usually the result of overtime at increased rates, and cannot be maintained for any length of time without injury to health.

Enough, however, has been said to break the news gently to the joyful home-comer that things are not what may be expected a year or more after the war has ended. With exchange at 8/- to the pound, however, one is about as well off as in 1913 or 1914, with the exception of the rationed items and the lack of travelling facilities.

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